City of Fitchburg City Council Meeting City Council Chamber 718 Main Street, Fitchburg, MA

The Council Meets at 7:30 o'clock p.m.

Tuesday, October 5, 2010

I Public Forum

II Report of Committee on Records

III Communications from Her Honor the Mayor

IV. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS FROM HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS

V. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

CITY PROPERTY COMMITTEE: Oral Report on the following matters:

- 217-10. Councillor David Clark, and members of the Fitchburg Cultural Alliance, that the City of Fitchburg accept the gift of the "Pathways" sculpture to be installed at the northerly entrance to Central Plaza, Water St., Fitchburg, as detailed in the enclosed petition.
- 236-10. Anna M. Farrell, City Clerk, to transfer the following city property to the Fitchburg Historical Society to provide for proper care and preservation:

 Undocumented andirons from the Thomas Cowdin Tavern
 (c. 1600) that was formerly located at the corner of Blossom and Main Street where the American House once stood.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

- 228-10. ORDER: That the City of Fitchburg approves the expenditure of funds from the Dept. of Justice, Office of Justice Program, 2010 Edward Byrne Memorial JAG Grant in the amount of \$41,321, for the purposes of said grant.

 (Be Adopted)
- 229-10. ORDER: That the City of Fitchburg approves the expenditure of funds from the Commonwealth Hydro Grant awarded by the Massachusetts Clean Energy Technology Center in the amount of \$15,600, for the purposes of said grant.

 (Be Adopted)

- 242-10. ORDER: That the City of Fitchburg approve the expenditure of funds from the Federal Aviation Administration for the Fitchburg Airport Survey and Mapping grant in the amount of \$150,000, for the purposes of said grant.

 (Be Adopted)
- 230-10. ORDER: Amending Loan Order #05-2010 to read that \$9,300,000 is appropriated for the purpose of financing water pollution abatement projects as outlined in the enclosed order.

 (Be Adopted)
- 231-10. ORDER: Appropr. the sum of \$700,000, same to be credited to FISCAL YEAR 2011 TAX LEVY and charged against AVAILABLE FUNDS.

 (Be Adopted)
- 232-10. ORDER: Appropr. the sum of \$1,000,000, same to be credited to STABILIZATION FUND and charged against AVAILABLE FUNDS.

 (Be Adopted)
- 233-10. ORDER: Appropr. the sum of \$850,000, same to be credited to RESERVE FOR OTHER MUNICIPAL PURPOSES and charged against AVAILABLE FUNDS.

 (Be Adopted)
- 234-10. ORDER: Authorizing the City of Fitchburg to issue bonds for refunding purposes, as per enclosed Order. (Be Adopted)

LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE: Oral Report on the following matter:

152-10. AN ORDINANCE: Establishing a procedure and authorizing rules and regulations for outdoor seating and placing goods or other property on sidewalks.

PARKING CLERK:

222-10. Councillor Stephan Hay and Edwin Howard, to remove a Parking Meter. (#151). (Be Granted)

PLANNING BOARD:

082-09. Councillor Norman L. Boisvert, and residents of Quarry Lane, to accept Quarry Lane as a Public Way. (Be Granted)

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

- 082-09. Councillor Norman L. Boisvert, and residents of Quarry Lane, to accept Quarry Lane as a Public Way.

 (Be Granted)
- 070-10. Councillor David Clark, to inspect and find remedy to the street conditions in front of 20 St. Peter St. (Be Granted)
- 071-10. Councillor Jody Joseph, and Thomas Sultan, to correct water problem in front of garage at 45 Dewey St.

 Amended to read: 17 Newport St.

 (Be Granted as amended)
- 074-10. Councillor Joel Kaddy, and Gary Therrien, 532
 Fairmount St., Fitchburg, to Correct water problem at 532 Fairmount St.

 (Be Granted)
- 094-10. Councillor Kevin T. Starr, to correct the drainage problems on Marshall St. from Victor St. to Essex St. (Be Given Leave to Withdraw)
- 167-10. Councillor Joel Kaddy, and Brian Russell, to fix drainage problems at 522 Franklin Rd. (Be Granted)
- 168-10. Councillor Jody Joseph, and Valerie Kaufman, to remove tree in front of 20 Market St. The tree is damaging the wall in front of that property.

 (Be Granted)
- 173-10. Unitil and Verizon New England, Inc. to VIEW ST.relocate J.O. Pole #1349, Tel. #1 approximately 124'
 from Prospect St. and/or 20' West of existing pole on
 View St., as detailed in the enclosed petition.
 (Be Granted)
- 177-10. Councillor David Clark, to inspect and find remedy to driveway damaged by snowplow at 116 Elizabeth St. (Be Granted)
- 178-10. Councillor David Clark, to inspect and find remedy to tree located across the street from 111 Heywood St. (Be Granted)

187-10. Councillor Thomas J. Conry, and Councillor David Clark, to recommend removal and replacement of wooden guard rail with metal guard rail on Electric Ave., westerly from the intersection of Mt. Elam Road to Rollstone Road. Current guard rail next to walking/cycling path is in poor condition with sections broken, missing and deteriorating. The current guard rail offers no protection to either pedestrians or motorists.

(Amend to Repair guard rail instead of being replaced)
(Be granted as amended)

- 190-10. Councillor Jody Joseph, and Nancy Clark, to remove tree and repair sidewalk in front of 39 Market St. (Be Granted)
- 204-10. Councillor Joseph D. Solomito, to inspect and remove a dead tree in front of 102 Myrtle Ave. Several large limbs have recently fallen on parked cars on Myrtle Ave.

 (Be Granted)
- 226-10. Councillor Jody Joseph and Joseph Marrama, to repair or repave the sidewalk in front of 107 & 109 Summer St.

(Amend to include 99 Summer St.)
(Be Granted as amended)

VI. ORDERS - FINANCE

243-10. ORDER: Appropr. the sum of \$210,000, same to be charged against AVAILABLE FUNDS and credited to accounts as follows: \$200,000 to VETERAN'S BENEFITS GENERAL and \$10,000 to VETERAN'S PERSONAL SERVICES.

VII. ORDERS - OTHER

244-10. ORDER: Authorizing the City Clerk to notify voters of the State Election on November 2, 2010.

VIII. ORDINANCES

245-10. AN ORDINANCE: Amending Chapter 3, Article XII by adding to the title, and sections 3-128 through 3-137 by deleting the words "Wastewater Treatment Facilities Commission" in all places where the words appear and substituting therefore the words "Water-Wastewater Commission" as outlined in the enclosed Ordinance. (First Reading)

IX. PETITIONS

- 247-10. Councillor David Clark, to inspect and if needed place a stop sign at the intersection of Seneca and Walton Sts.

 (Public Safety Committee)
- 248-10. Councillor David Clark, to inspect and find remedy to stormwater problem located across from 111 Canton St. (Public Works Committee)

X. POSSIBLE ITEMS/TOPICS

Order Currently in the Finance Committee:

210-10. ORDER: Transfer the sum of \$22,806 to various personal accounts from the following accounts:

Election and Registration Expenses: \$12,000 Non-Contributory Pension: \$10,806

> Next Regular Meeting Tuesday, October 19, 2010